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DIARY NOTES

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29 June 1971

25X1A      Deputies Meeting: The participation at the meeting was expanded to include [REDACTED] Mr. Cord Meyer represented the CS.

a. PPB Resources Presentation - Mr. Clarke displayed charts showing the Agency pie-cut by Directorate and by function both as to dollars and people and covering a several year period. He pointed out the FY '73 Directorate request and PPB's suggested total in dollars. He also mentioned that [REDACTED] new positions were requested as against the Director's stated intention of asking for no new positions from OMB. Colonel White followed the point on personnel needs by enjoining all to take seriously the difficulties of our personnel positions. He pointed out that we should look hard at a position which might be converted to contract believing that FY '73 may be the last in which OMB will allow the Agency to retain "adequate" contract employee ceilings.

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b. Action Items [REDACTED]

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25X1A      Mr. Clarke before he left the meeting mentioned the action item number nine which concerns CIA security compartmentation.

25X1A      [REDACTED] has proposed to head this group. I mentioned that [REDACTED] name had somehow been given as a DD/S member for this group and this needed to be corrected. (We subsequently advised Mr. Clarke that [REDACTED] would be the DD/S representative.)

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c. National Interdepartmental Seminar - There was a clear disposition to recommend to the Director that the Agency not participate in this Seminar in the future. It was felt that

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Mr. Cunningham's transmittal memorandum seemed to represent the position that the course content was not important and that instead the value was to be found in the education of other department representatives by our participants.

d. Press Reaction to DCI Speech to ASNE - This was felt to be pretty universally good although hindsight indicated that the "take it on faith" phrase was unfortunate.

e. DCI State of the Agency Talk - All agreed that the prepared text which had been read had fallen flat both in content and delivery. It was agreed to recommend that future talks be delivered in an extemporaneous fashion using an agreed set of points but relying primarily on question and answer method. It was suggested that if there is a "message" it be put first and briefly. As to questions it was felt that questions should be solicited in advance and also taken from the floor. (Mr. Meyer indicated that he had suggested the "questions in advance" idea to the Director and the Director had agreed.)

Colonel White reported that within a relatively few hours of giving the talk the Director had received a reaction from "young" people which reflected a considerable amount of skepticism concerning the validity of information provided by the Director's advisors on such matters as attitudes of potential applicants and of current employees. Colonel White said that the Director is bothered by these questions of youth and "communications" with youth and he desires to do something on this subject. Colonel White did not wish to discuss the identities of the people who were in touch with the Director. Mr. Proctor expressed the view that familiar "youth" were involved. It was suggested that perhaps MAG could be given the job of studying this problem and making recommendations. I suggested that we might use the Psychological Services Staff and we expected a study proposal from [REDACTED] in this connection in the immediate future. Colonel White is interested to talk about this.

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Colonel White enjoined the Deputies to be sure that MAG members wish to be on the group and to ensure that they are seen by the Deputies or Assistant Deputies.

6. Activities of MAG - Brief mention was made of the 10 May paper prepared by MAG and detailing its activities between June 1970 and May 1971.

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